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SUBJECT: SECRETARY KISSINGER'S INFORMAL MEETING WITH PRESS AT TAHRIR

PALACE BEFORE MEETING WITH EGYPTIAN FONMIN FAHMY, NOV 6,1974

NSCE FOR GENERAL SCOWCROFT AND NESSEN

1. FOLLOWING IS TRANSCRIPT OF SUBJECT MEETING: QUOTE:

Q. HOW WERE THE TALKS WITH THE PRESIDENT LAST NIGHT?

A. VERY GOOD

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Q: ARE YOU COMING BACK?

A: NOT ON THIS VISIT, BUT ALWAYS COME BACK.

Q: DO YOU THINK THE SITUATION IS MORE DELICATE?

A: WE HAVE HAD DELICATE PERIODS BEFORE, BUT WE ARE HOPEFUL
OF MAKING PROGRESS TOWARD NEGOTIATIONS.

Q: COULD YOU SAY THAT YOU ARE DISAPPOINTED AFTER THE RABAT
CONFERENCE?

A: WELL, IT IS A COMPLICATED SITUATION.

Q: DID YOU PROPOSE A PEACE TREATY TO JORDAN ON YOUR LAST TRIP?

A: ABSOLUTELY NOT. I DID NOT PROPOSE ANY PEACE TREATY ON
THE LAST TRIP - SPECIFICALLY NOT TO THE JORDANIANS.

Q: DO YOU PREDICT ANY FURTHER DISENGAGEMENT?

A: I DON'T WANT TO PREDICT WHAT EXACTLY WILL HAPPEN; I
WILL TALK TO ARAB LEADERS AND TO ISRAELI LEADERS TO SEE
WHAT WE CAN DO TO CONTRIBUTE TOWARD PROGRESS IN THE
MIDDLE EAST.

Q: DO YOU THINK THE GENEVA CONFERENCE WILL BE RESUMED?

A: I THINK IT CAN RESUME IN A WAY WHENEVER ALL THE PARTIES
AGREE IT CAN MAKE A USEFUL CONTRIBUTION. UNQUOTE.
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